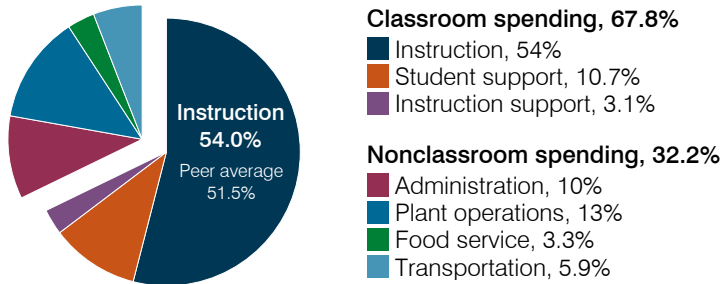


Benson Unified School District

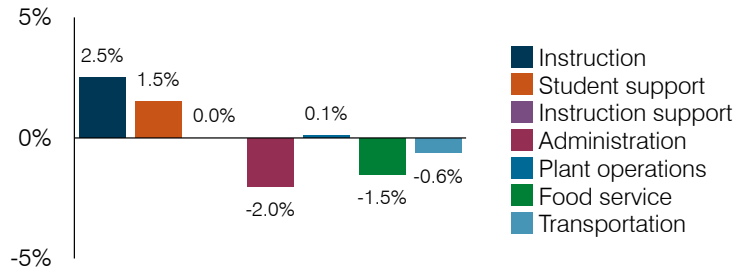
Cochise County
 Peer group(s): Operational 5 and Transportation 8¹
 Legislative district(s): 14
 District location: Town
 Number of schools: 4
 Graduation rate (2019): 93%

Students attending; Size: 1,288; Medium
 5-year change in students attending: 8% increase
 Special education population: 16%
 English learner population: 1%
 Poverty rate (2019): 28%
 Free/reduced meal eligibility: 46%

Spending by operational area



Percentage point change in spending by operational area (fiscal year 2015 versus 2020)



Operational measures relative to peer averages

Operational area	Measure	District	Peer average	State average
Administration	Cost per pupil	\$900	\$1,241	\$936
	Students per administrative position	50	58	65
Plant operations	Cost per square foot	\$7.15	\$5.69	\$6.55
	Square footage per student	164	275	160
Food service	Cost per meal	\$4.78	\$4.01	\$3.46
Transportation	Cost per mile	\$3.54	\$3.43	\$4.28
	Cost per rider	\$1,622	\$1,480	\$1,370

Very low Low Comparable High Very high

Lowest, highest, and 2 most recent fiscal years' instructional spending percentages between 2001 and 2020

Lowest	Highest	Most recent years	
2001	2006	2019	2020
49.5%	58.6%	53.5%	54.0%

COVID-19 federal relief grant spending

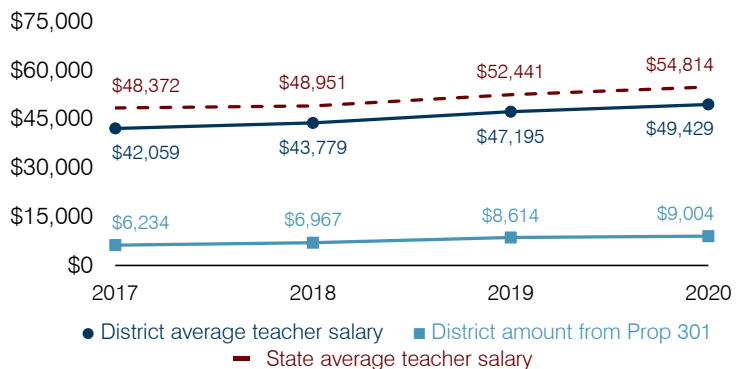
	District	Peer average
Total federal relief grant spending	\$ 0	\$ 23,662
Per pupil federal relief grant spending	\$ 0	\$ 21

Districts can use COVID-19 federal relief grants from March 2020 through September 2022. Amounts above were used by June 30, 2020.

Per pupil spending by area

Area	District		Peer average 2020	State average 2020
	2019	2020		
Classroom spending				
Instruction	\$ 4,757	\$ 4,872	\$ 5,405	\$ 5,016
Student support	932	964	719	796
Instruction support	258	283	458	513
Nonclassroom spending				
Administration	951	900	1,241	936
Plant operations	1,117	1,171	1,516	1,048
Food service	313	293	424	432
Transportation	558	532	565	395
Total operational	8,886	9,015	10,328	9,136
Land and buildings	1,183	1,941	558	1,053
Equipment	297	2,098	686	533
Interest	96	137	198	273
Other	97	124	97	175
Total nonoperational	1,673	4,300	1,539	2,034
Total per pupil spending	\$ 10,559	\$ 13,315	\$ 11,867	\$ 11,170

Average teacher salary and other measures



Measure	2017	2018	2019	2020
Students per teacher	19.6	18.6	18.2	18.3
Average years of teacher experience	11.3	9.1	9.0	10.0
Percentage of teachers in first 3 years	22%	23%	22%	13%

¹ See Appendix A for information, such as districts included in each peer group, and Appendix C for sources and methodology.